

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3741

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR EXPANSION OF OIL MILLS

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the State Government of Karnataka has requested the Union Government for financial assistance for the expansion and upgradation of various oil palm mills;
- (b) whether similar requests have been received from other States as well;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S^r KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a),(b),(c)&(d): Yes, Sir. A proposal for upgradation of oil palm processing mill at Kabini, Mysore, Karnataka was received from Government of Karnataka in 2001. Since there is no scheme for funding such proposals, it is not possible to extend the financial assistance from the Government of India. The Government of Karnataka was informed in the matter accordingly. Request from the other States for similar financial assistance has not been received.